(c) whether the small cities have been indentified; and

(d) if so, the de tails thereof particularly small cities in Andhra Praoesh?

THE MINISTI :R OFCIVIL AVIATION (SHRISHARADYADAV): (a) to (d) To encourage sir ,iU aircraft (turbo-prop) operations to connect smaller and non-metro citiu . it has been decided to provide ATF to such aircraft at international pr:< t s *mid* notify ATF as a declared good under the Central Sales Tax, 1956. Time frame for commencement of the services cannot be indicated at this stage sin cu opearators are free to connect places in their commercial judgement subj' ect to compliance with the Route Dispersal Guidelines which provide for *cetf* ain mmitnum operations on specified category of routes.

Privatisation of **AAI**

1986. SHRI K. RAHM. \M KHAN: Wi 11 the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to stal e:

(a) whethe r a decision has b>:en taken to privatize Airports Authority of
India;

(b) if so, the operative aeas proposed to be privatized; and

(c) whether privatization w il9 Ive wholly indigenous?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL / MIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, it has been dt titled to restructure the airports of the Airports Authority of India as and whe, i ift»und suitable through long-term lease. At present, the existing airports at D cilhv, Mumbai.Chennai and Calcutta are being taken up for this exercise. It is en rissiged that it would cover all areas of airport operations except, air traffic / air s_k **^ioe** management, customs, immigration and security.

(c) As per the policy on airport it tfrastructure, foreign equity participation in such ventures may be permitted up to *14%* with automatic approval and upto 100% with special permission. Sue h participation could also be by foreign " airport authorities.

Restoration of **Air** Bus Service b «tween **Delhi and Bhubaneswar**

1987. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KR'UNTIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for restoring Air-Bus service
form Delhi to Bhubaneswar and Bhubaneswar to Delhi instead of boeing; and